

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK HELD JULY 19, 2011

A Regular Meeting of the Lower Alloways Creek Township Committee was held on July 19, 2011 with Mayor Ellen B. Pompper calling the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

STATEMENT OF NOTICE GIVEN

The Township Clerk read the following statement.

This is a Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek being held in compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" N.J.S.A. 10:4-6. To insure the right of citizens to have adequate advance notice of and the right to attend meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting them is discussed or acted upon. Advance written notice of this meeting was given by way of an Annual Notice, which was filed with the Lower Alloways Creek Township Clerk, forwarded to the Today's Sunbeam and Bridgeton News and posted on the Bulletin Board in the lobby of the Lower Alloways Creek Township Municipal Building in compliance with said Act.

FLAG SALUTE Mayor Pompper led in the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL OF COMMITTEE

Present: Mr. Breslin, Mr. Palombo, Mr. Venable and Mayor Pompper **Absent:** Mr. Wood

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Also in attendance were -15- (fifteen) members of the Public, Jack Lynch, Superintendent of Public Works; Lewis Fogg, Public Works Foreman; David Sowers, Director of Public Safety; George Rosenberger, Solicitor and the Township Clerk Ronald L Campbell Sr.

APPROVAL OF AUDITED VOUCHERS

Motion (Breslin, Venable) that all properly audited vouchers be paid.

The motion to pay properly audited vouchers passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Breslin, Venable, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none Abstain: Breslin (13869, 13875 & 13955) Absent: Wood

MONTHLY REPORTS TO THE COMMITTEE

The Mayor requested that the minutes reflect, that the June Monthly Reports to the Township Committee have been received from the following Departments and are on file with the Clerk: Police Department, Municipal Court, Tax Collector, Sewer Collector, Animal Control Officer, Construction Office and Finance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING HELD JUNE 21, 2011 AND THE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES OF JUNE 21, 2011

Motion (Breslin, Palombo) to approve the June 21, 2011 Regular Township Committee Meeting Minutes and the June 21, 2011 Closed Session Minutes.

The motion to approve the minutes of the June 21, 2011 Regular Township Committee Meeting and June 21, 2011 Closed Session minutes passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Breslin, Palombo, Venable and Pompper

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: Wood

RESOLUTIONS

Motion (Venable, Breslin) for Resolution 2011-94 A Resolution authorizing the cancelation of unexpended balances of completed Capital Ordinance projects in the amount of \$ 59,498.74

RESOLUTION 2011-94

A RESOLUTION CANCELING THE UNEXPENDED BALANCES OF COMPLETED CAPITAL ORDINANCES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 59,498.74

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek to cancel the unexpended balances of specific Capital Ordinance Appropriations previously authorized by the Township Committee, from which all encumbrances have been satisfied and projects completed; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer recommends canceling Capital Ordinance Appropriations and their unexpended balances totaling \$ 59,498.74 and that the canceled funds, be placed back in the Capital Account General Fund for use on other Capital Projects so authorized by future Ordinances.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek that the following Capital Projects, with unexpended funds be canceled and the funds in the amount of \$ 59,498.74 be returned to the General Capital Account as recommended by the Municipal Auditor and Chief Financial Officer.

		Original Appropriation	AMT to be canceled
2010-08	Hogate Blvd Sec II	\$ 142,000.00	\$ 25,838.74
2010-09	Dilution Study Canton STP	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
2011-01	New Well Leisure Arms	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
2011-03	Waste Oil Heaters	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 27,660.00
			\$ 59,498.74

The motion for Resolution 2011-94 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Venable, Breslin, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Wood

ORDINANCE (INTRODUCTION)

Motion (Breslin, Palombo) to introduce Ordinance 2011-06 an Ordinance amending previous ordinances fixing the compensation to be paid to the Appointed Officers and Employees of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek.

ORDINANCE 2011-06

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PREVIOUS ORDINANCES FIXING THE COMPENSATION TO BE PAID TO THE APPOINTED OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek, in the County of Salem and the State of New Jersey, that an Ordinance Fixing the Compensation to be Paid to the Appointed Officers and Employees of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek for 2010 is hereby amended to provide rates of salary and Wage compensation as follows:

	2011	2012	2013
Lieutenant	\$86,878	\$89,050	\$91,276
Sergeant First Class	\$84,272	\$86,379	\$88,538
Sergeant	\$81,666	\$83,707	\$85,800
Corporal	\$78,709	\$80,676	\$82,693
Patrolman			
Step 8	\$74,268	\$76,125	\$78,028
Step 7	\$70,861	\$72,633	\$74,449
Step 6	\$69,637	\$71,378	\$73,163
Step 5	\$64,857	\$66,478	\$68,140
Step 4	\$58,804	\$60,274	\$61,781
Step 3	\$53,654	\$54,995	\$56,370
Step 2	\$48,812	\$50,032	\$51,283
Step 1	\$40,000	\$41,000	\$42,025
Public Safety Director	\$85,075		

SECTION 2. Other provisions that may increase any one individual's salary or compensation include, but are not limited to: overtime, extended shifts, night shift differential, holidays, longevity and other provisions in agreements with the Township of Lower Alloways Creek or stated in the Municipal Employees Policy Manual.

SECTION 3. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith to the extent of such inconsistencies be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect and become operative upon its final passage and publication as required by law. The provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect until amended or repealed.

Public Hearing on this Ordinance shall be on AUGUST 23, 2011 at 7:30 p.m., at the Municipal Building, 501 Locust Island Road, Hancock's Bridge, New Jersey.

This Ordinance, which was introduced for First Reading on JULY 19, 2011 shall be published by Title in the Today's Sunbeam and placed on the Township's Bulletin Board giving notice of said Public Hearing as required by Law.

The motion to introduce for first reading Ordinance 2011-06 an Ordinance amending previous ordinances fixing the compensation to be paid to the Appointed Officers and Employees of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 3-0-1

Ayes: Breslin, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none

Abstain: Venable

Absent: Wood

ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARING

Ordinance 2011-05 An ordinance amending Section 6 "Fees" of Chapter 135 known as "SEWERS" of the Code of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek

Mayor Pompper opened the meeting to a Public Hearing on Ordinance 2011-05

No one from the Public had any comments.

Mayor Pompper closed the Public Hearing on Ord 2011-05

Motion (Venable, Breslin) for final adoption of Ordinance 2011-05 an ordinance amending Section 6 “Fees” of Chapter 135 known as “SEWERS” of the Code of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek

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ORDINANCE 2011-05

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 135 KNOWN AS “SEWERS” OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek desires to amend Chapter 135 known as “Sewers”, subsection 6 C., 6 D., 6 E.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek that:

Section 1. Chapter 135 section 6 of the Code of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek is hereby amended as follows:

§ 135-6. Service charges. [Amended 3-17-1992 by Ord. No. 92-4; 3-15-1994 by Ord. No. 94-1; 2-3-1998 by Ord. No. 98-1; 4-18-2007 by Ord. 2007-04, 3-16-2010 by Ord 2010-02, 3-15-2011 by Ord 2011-02, 7-19-11 by Ord 2011-05]

A. The rate fixed and the amount to be paid for the use of the sewer shall be in accordance with the following schedule and classification for the year 2011. Thereafter, said rate and amount to be paid shall be increased as amended by Ordinance 2011-05. Thereafter, said rate shall remain the same until changed by ordinance adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek. The charge shall be an annual charge for a calendar year or any part thereof, due on or before December 31 for that calendar year for which it applies. The initial service charge or any increase in charge due to a change in the type of property or use shall be computed on a pro rata basis from the first day of the month following the month the connection or change is made.

The rate fixed and the amount to be paid for the use of the sewer shall be in accordance with the schedule and classification in the Code of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek, as amended

TYPE OF PROPERTY	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
C. Senior citizen Deduction: Any Homeowner who has reached the age of sixty-five (65) is entitled to a senior citizen service charge as follows; at the residence that they inhabit, per year, after providing proof of age to the Utility Collector. This does not apply to a tenant who may be sixty-five (65) years of age	61% off Residences, Private, Single Family \$195.00	47.5% off Residences, Private, Single Family \$315.00	37.858% off Residences, Private, Single Family \$435.00	30.625% off Residences, Private, Single Family \$555.00	25% off Residences, Private, Single Family \$675.00

D. Disabled Homeowners

Deduction: Any homeowner who is permanently disabled is entitled to a service charge rate as follows; at the residence that they inhabit, per year, after providing proof of permanent disability to the Utility Collector. This does not apply to a tenant who may be permanently disabled.

61% off				
Residences,	47.5% off	37.858% off	30.625% off	25% off
Private,	Residences,	Residences,	Residences,	Residences,
Single	Private, Single	Private,	Private,	Private,
Family	Family	Single Family	Single Family	Single Family
\$195.00	\$315.00	\$435.00	\$555.00	\$675.00
2011	2012	2013	2014	2015

E. Senior Citizen / Disabled Homeowners

Deduction: Any homeowner who is both a Senior Citizen and permanently disabled is entitled to a service charge rate as follows; at the residence that they inhabit, per year, after providing proof of permanent disability to the Utility Collector. This does not apply to a tenant who may be a Senior Citizen and permanently disabled.

70% off	62.5% off	57.14% off	53.125% off	50% off
Residences,	Residences,	Residences,	Residences,	Residences,
Private,	Private,	Private,	Private,	Private,
Single	Single	Single	Single	Single
Family	Family	Family	Family	Family
\$150.00	\$225.00	\$300.00	\$375.00	\$450.00

Section 2. Repealer, Severability And Effective Date.

- A. Repealer. Any and all Ordinances inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistencies.
- B. Severability. In the event that any clause, section, paragraph or sentence of this Ordinance is deemed to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, then the Township Committee hereby declares its intent that the balance of the Ordinance not affected by said invalidity shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that it allows the Township to meet the goals of the Ordinance.
- C. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon proper passage in accordance with the law.

This Ordinance which was introduced for First Reading on June 21, 2011 shall be published by Title in the Today's Sunbeam and placed on the Township's Bulletin Board giving notice of said Public Hearing as required by Law.

Public Hearing on this Ordinance shall be on July 19, 2011 at 7:30 p.m., at the Municipal Building, 501 Locust Island Road, Hancock's Bridge, New Jersey.

Introduction: June 21, 2011

COMMITTEE MEMBER	MOVE	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
MR. BRESLIN III			Y			
MR. PALOMBO		S	Y			
MR. VENABLE	M		Y			
MR. WOOD			Y			
MAYOR POMPPER			Y			

Final: July 19, 2011

COMMITTEE MEMBER	MOVE	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
MR. BRESLIN III		S	Y			
MR. PALOMBO			Y			
MR. VENABLE	M		Y			
MR. WOOD						Absent
MAYOR POMPPER			Y			

OLD BUSINESS: Mayor Pompper asked the Committee if they had reviewed a residents concern about their neighbor's bright yard light. Mayor Pompper asked Mr. Rosenberger what action the Committee should or could take. Mr. Rosenberger stated that he had a basic understanding of the residents concern and believes that they could file a nuisance complaint. Mr. Rosenberger stated that the Committee would need an ordinance regarding lighting specifically or a nuisance ordinance in order to be able to regulate or enforce something like this. Mr. Rosenberger stated that he would look into what the Township has currently that would apply or what they would need if nothing is found, if the Committee so desired. Mayor Pompper stated that she would speak with the neighbor with the light, to see if this could not be resolved without the Committee's involvement.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion (Pompper, Venable) to approve Scholarships to the Salem Community College for the Fall / Winter Semesters for the following individuals:

Amber Sowers, Katlyn Bedilion, Brittany Keen, Seth Pangburn, Trisha Willis, Daniel Breslin, and Kristine Harris

The motion approve Scholarships to the Salem Community College for the Fall / Winter Semesters for the following individuals:

Amber Sowers, Katlyn Bedilion, Brittany Keen, Seth Pangburn, Trisha Willis, Daniel Breslin, and Kristine Harris

passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 3-0-1

Ayes: Pompper, Venable and Palombo

Nays: none

Abstain: Breslin

Absent: Wood

Motion (Venable, Breslin) to approve the use of the Municipal Grounds by the LAC Ruritans for their Crab & Craft Fest to be held Saturday September 17, 2011.

The motion to approve the use of the Municipal Grounds by the LAC Ruritans for their Crab & Craft Fest to be held Saturday September 17, 2011 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Venable, Breslin, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Wood

Motion (Palombo, Venable) to donate a "Fond Recollections" book to the Salem County Historical Society.

The motion to donate a "Fond Recollections" book to the Salem County Historical Society passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Palombo, Venable, Breslin and Pompper

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Wood

Motion (Palombo,Venable) to designate Lewis Fogg as the Southern Pine Beetle Contact with the NJDEP.

The motion to designate Lewis Fogg as the Southern Pine Beetle Contact with the NJDEP passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Palombo, Venable, Breslin and Pompper

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Wood

Motion (Palombo, Breslin) to approve payment of \$ 3686.76 to Mid-Atlantic Waste Systems for a hydraulic pump for the Trash Truck

The motion to approve payment of \$ 3686.76 to Mid-Atlantic Waste Systems for a hydraulic pump for the Trash Truck passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Palombo, Breslin, Venable and Pompper

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Wood

CORRESPONDENCE None

Mayor Pompper asked Mr. Breslin to introduce representatives from GOSOLARELECTRIC, who spoke on leasing options, grant funding and Solar Renewable Energy Certificates (SRECs) pertaining to the installation of Solar Panels at municipal facilities.

The Committee discussed this and decided to authorize a request for proposals to gage what might be done.

Motion (Breslin, Palombo) for Resolution 2011-95 a Resolution authorizing the writing of a Request for Proposal for the installation

RESOLUTION 2011-95

A Resolution authorizing the Purchasing Agent to compose and then solicit proposals for the installation of Solar Electric Generating Panels at the Municipal Building, Public Works Garage and Leisure Arms Complex

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek does recognize the benefit to installing Solar Electric Generating Panels, and;

WHEREAS, proposals for the installation of Solar Electric Generating Panels will be promulgated by the Superintendent of Public Works and the Purchasing Agent under the following criteria:

1. Solicit proposals for Municipal facilities as separate options, so the Committee can chose the extent of its investment
2. provide clear evidence of the costs to the Township and cost saving to be realized.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek that it does approve the solicitation of proposals by the Purchasing Agent for the installation of Solar Electric Generating Panels under the provisions of the criteria provided.

The motion for Resolution 2011-95 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Venable, Breslin, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Wood

Mayor Pompper asked Lewis Fogg about his feelings on using Community Service Workers. Mr. Fogg stated some concerns and asked that the Committee approve their use.

Motion (Palombo, Breslin) to approve using Community Service workers through the Public Works Department as available.

The motion to approve using Community Service workers through the Public Works Department as available passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Palombo, Breslin, Venable and Pompper

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Wood

REPORTS TO THE COMMITTEE & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Company: No Report

Public Safety: Mr. Sowers commented that the new Part Time Officers are working out well. Mr. Sowers further stated that Gloucester County College will not be having Fall academy courses and that the two new officers will need to attend them, either at Cape May County College or Atlantic County College.

Township Committee

Mayor Pompper, asked each Committee member if they had anything to report, no one from the Township Committee had any additional comments to make.

Mayor Pompper stated that the next Township Committee Meeting would be the 4th week in August and would be held on the 23rd.

PUBLIC COMMENT None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion (Venable, Breslin) to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.
The motion to adjourn the meeting passed unanimously.

Minutes of July 19, 2011 were approved at a meeting held _____, 2011

ATTEST:

LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK TOWNSHIP

Ronald L Campbell Sr. Clerk

By: _____
Mayor Ellen B. Pompper